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March 24, 1998

## CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ref: 8ENF-L

Mr. Wayne E. Webster Rico Development Corporation P.O. Box 592 Athens, TX 75751

Re:

Request for Information Pursuant to CERCLA Section 104 for the Rico-

Argentine Site

Dear Mr. Webster:

I am writing to inform you that you have not complied with the CERCLA section 104(e) request originally sent to you on December 18, 1997. Although you did forward to EPA two years of tax returns, a copy of a map, and a deed, we regard your response as incomplete. The CERCLA section 104(e) request requires a written narrative response to each question and a notarized certificate stating that the response is complete and contains all information requested. You did not do this.

Your failure to comply with this information request is a serious matter. You are potentially liable for monetary penalties for each day you fail to comply. Therefore, we request that you submit a complete response within 10 days of the date you receive this letter. If you fail to submit the response within the time requested, we will have no choice but to proceed with legal action against you.

It is in your interest to finalize your response to the information request as quickly as you possibly can. Call me at (303) 312-6908 or Dave Broste at (303) 312-6209 if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Andrew J. Lensink

Senior Enforcement Attorney

cc: David Broste - EPA

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